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ANNUAL REPORT

—OF—

THE SELECTMEN

AND OTHER

TOWN OFFICERS

—OF—

GREENVILLE, N. H.,

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1884.



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WARRANT.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

{ L. S. } To the inhabitants of the town of Greenville,
qualified to vote in town affairs :—
{ You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall
in said town, on the eleventh day of March next,
at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act on the following sub-
jects :—

- 1st. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.
- 2d. To choose all necessary town officers for the year en-
suing.
- 3d. To hear the report of agents, auditors, committees,
or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 4th. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary
for the support of schools, for the maintainance of the poor,
for laying out and repairing highways and building and repair-
ing bridges, and for other necessary charges arising within the
town.
- 5th. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum not ex-
ceeding fifty dollars for the purpose of decorating soldiers'
graves.
- 6th. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen and
Treasurer to borrow money for the use of the town.
- 7th. To see if the town will vote to adopt the amendment
to Section 3, Chapter 55, of the General Laws.
- 8th. To see if the town will vote to move the library into
the north store room in the town hall building.
- 9th. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum not ex-

ceeding one hundred dollars for the library.

10th. To see if the town will vote to dispose of the lease of the whole or a part of the north store in the town hall building for a period not exceeding five years.

11th. To see if the town will vote to construct a reservoir in connection with the well on the Sawtell line and raise any sum of money therefor.

12th. To see if the town will vote to purchase one or more fire hooks.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-third day of February, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-four.

CHARLES E. HALL, } Selectmen
NATHAN P. FARRAR, } of the town of
MILTON H. HARDY, } Greenville.

A true copy of warrant—Attest,

CHARLES E. HALL, } Selectmen
NATHAN P. FARRAR, } of the town of
MILTON H. HARDY, } Greenville.

REPORT
OF THE
TREASURER & TOWN OF GREENVILLE.

DR.

Balance in treasury March 1st, 1883,	\$111 81
Received of Charles F. Marshall, Collector for 1882,	63 80
Received of Charles F. Marshall, Collector for 1883,	8,352 81
Received of Selectmen for 1883,	2,558 02
	———— \$11,086 44

CR.

Paid orders drawn on Treasurer,	\$11,015 67
Cash in treasury March 1st, 1884,	70 77
	———— \$11,086 44
B. P. LAMB, Treasurer.	

Greenville, March 1st, 1884.

REPORT
OF THE
SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE.
FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 29TH, 1884.

SELECTMEN'S CASH ACCOUNT.—DR.

Borrowed on town notes,	\$850 00
For rent of Town Hall,	157 75
For rent of Banquet Hall,	23 00
For rent of Ante-room,	3 00
For rent of piano,	8 00
J. J. McCuddy, rent May 1st to Jan. 1st,	26 67
O. D. Prescott, rent to Jan. 15th,	329 25
Savings Bank tax,	811 76
Insurance tax,	15 00
Railroad tax,	19 64
Literary fund,	108 12
Hillsborough County pauper expenses,	80 15
Town of Mason, school money for 1883,	73 68
Division of surplus from Centennial Com.,	31 79
Library fines, catalogues and rent of books,	15 25
Show licenses,	4 00
Sale of old water conductor,	40
Sale of old iron,	56
	———— \$2,558 02

SELECTMEN'S CASH ACCOUNT.—CR.

Paid Town Treasurer as per vouchers,	\$2558 02
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TOWN EXPENDITURES.

Paid notes and interest,	\$5,834 51
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STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

Paid state tax,	\$1,176 00
county tax,	897 13
	—————
	\$2,073 13

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Paid F. B. Heald, for Dist. No. 1,	\$1,019 06
H. L. Newell, " " " 2,	124 16
E. L. Gray, " " " 3,	180 04
Adron Winship, tuition of scholars,	5 00
Franklin Adams, " " "	80
	—————
	\$1,329 06

PAUPER EXPENSES.

*Paid R. R. fare Deguire family to Canada,	\$18 00
* Wm. W. Sawtell, burying Deguire child,	4 00
* Antoine Leclair, care of insane man,	3 00
* M. H. Hardy, carrying insane man to county farm,	4 00
G. F. Munsey, medical attendance on Charles Griswold,	5 00
G. F. Munsey, medical attendance on Mrs. Cavenough,	1 00
Hartshorn & Whitney, goods for Mrs. Cavenough,	90
G. C. Robbins, do.,	95
M. H. Hardy, wood for do.,	4 00
M. H. Hardy, wood for Mrs. Furbush,	4 00
M. A. Chamberlin, do.,	5 00

Martin & White, flour for Mrs. Furbush,	7 00
O. D. Prescott, crackers for tramps,	20
* R. R. fare Lafarriere family to W. R.,	13 10
* Edward Pelletier, board for Pamelia Pelletier,	6 00
* C. E. Hall, medical supplies for do.,	1 75
* C. A. Wood, medical attendance on do.,	8 50
* Paul Salvail, shroud for do.,	1 80
* Wm. W. Sawtell, burial expenses do.,	13 00
* Wm. W. Sawtell, " " Jerry Driscoll,	7 00
C. E. Hall, traveling expenses in pau- per cases,	4 60
	—
	\$112 80

—*Repaid by Hillsborough County.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid M. H. Hardy, Surveyor for 1883,	\$487 93
" " watering-tub on Towns- end road,	1 10
M. H. Hardy, guide post on Main St.,	6 50
O. D. Prescott, rake and hatchet,	1 35
	—
	\$496 88

SIDEWALKS.

Paid Hartshorn & Whitney, for 305 linear feet granite walk,	\$284 00
M. H. Hardy, repairing sidewalk near culvert,	4 50
M. H. Hardy, removing waste and main- taining lanterns,	11 50
	—
	\$300 00

STREET LAMPS.

Paid Elliott Merriam, lighting lamps,	\$82 25
Hartshorn & Whitney, for oil,	20 61
N. P. Farrar, material and repairs,	9 20
	—
	\$112 06

POLICE EXPENSES.

Paid T. E. Marshall, services as police,	\$6 50
William Bailey, " " "	3 00
B. A. Elliott, " " "	1 50
" " repairing police badges,	1 15

	\$12 15

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid F. B. Heald, services as Auditor,	\$1 00
S. H. Bacon, " " "	1 00
H. H. Shumway, services as Supervisor, 1882,	8 00
C. F. Marshall, services as Collector,	40 00
B. P. Lamb, " " Treasurer,	25 00
F. E. Pierce, services and fees as Town Clerk.	39 00
H. H. Shumway, services as Supervisor, 1883.	4 00
C. F. Smith, services as Supervisor, 1883,	4 00
G. L. Blood, " " " "	4 00
G. C. Robbins, services after settlement,	2 50
C. E. Hall, services as School Commit- tee, and expense,	42 00
C. E. Hall, services as Selectman,	57 50
N. P. Farrar, " " "	55 00
M. H. Hardy, " " "	52 50

	\$335 50

LIBRARY EXPENSES.

Paid Lee & Shepard, for books,	\$47 78
T. E. Marshall, services as Librarian,	52 00
T. E. Marshall, material furnished,	1 25

	\$101 03

TOWN HOUSE.

Paid Elliott Merriam, janitor of town house,	\$57 95
O. D. Prescott, for two mirrors,	4 00

O. D. Prescott, for oil,	6 33
C. E. Hall, care of town house,	5 00
N. P. Farrar, repairs and material,	7 73
M. H. Hardy, slabs for kindling,	1 40
H. M. Livingston, for coal,	61 67

	\$144 08

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Bridget Cavenough, balance,	\$1 45
Thomas Clary,	1 50
Henry St. Peters,	1 50
Edward Thibault,	1 50
Edward Thibault, jr.,	1 50
Charles Lafarriere,	1 50

	\$8 95

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid Pratt Brothers, printing town reports,	\$14 34
C. E. Hall, travelling ex. in legal cases,	6 30
G. H Preston, services of fire company to March 13th, 1883,	35 37
C. A. Wood, reporting births and deaths,	8 25
G. F. Munsey, " " " "	3 50
C. E. Marsh, printing blanks,	3 75
E. A. Norris, printing notice,	1 00
Herman Shedd, Post, decorating soldiers' graves,	50 00
J. C. Hoxie, tuning piano,	2 00
E. L. Gray, support of watering tub,	3 00
I. Wheeler, " " " "	3 00
Wm. H. Sanborn " " " "	3 00
H. M. Livingston, labor and material for fire engine,	3 65
C. E. Hall, alcohol for fire engine,	50
O. D. Prescott, oil " " "	12
Cross & Taggart, counsel fees,	5 00
C. E. Hall, stationery and books,	5 89
N. P. Farrar, use of team,	1 00
M. H. Hardy, " " "	5 50
" " " labor at cemetery,	35

	\$155 52

RECAPITULATION.

Paid notes and interest,	\$5,834 51
State and County tax,	2,073 13
support of schools,	1,329 06
pauper expenses,	112 80
highways and bridges,	496 88
sidewalks,	300 00
street lamps,	112 06
police expenses,	12 15
town officers,	335 50
library expenses,	101 03
town house,	144 08
abatement of taxes,	8 95
miscellaneous expenses,	155 52
	————— \$11,015 67

GREENVILLE, N. H., MARCH, 1st, 1884.

We have examined the foregoing accounts for the year ending February 29th, 1884, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

W. W. STEVENSON, }
F. B. HEALD, } Auditors.

CONDITION OF FINANCE MARCH 1, 1884.

The town is indebted for outstanding notes and interest to March 1st, 1884,	\$16,659 67
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AVAILABLE ASSETS OF THE TOWN.

Balance in Treasury March 1st, 1884,	\$70 77
Balance in Collector's hands,	41 80
	—————
	\$112 57
Net debt of town, March 1st, 1884,	\$16,547 10
Reduction of debt since March 1st, 1883,	4,144 88
	—————
Literary fund for 1883 not appropriated,	\$108 12

TOTAL VALUATION OF 1883 BY SCHOOL
DISTRICTS.

	REAL AND PERSONAL ESTATE.	POLL'S.
District No. 1;	\$473,864 00	221
" 2,	35,476 00	14
" 3,	17,430 00	9
" 0,	5,954 00	2
Polls.	<u>24,600 00</u>	<u>246</u>
	<u>\$557,324 00</u>	

AMOUNT OF TAXES ASSESSED IN 1883.

District No. 1,	\$7,439 46
" 2,	553 14
" 3,	274 95
" 0,	92 31
	<u>\$8,359 86</u>
Dog tax,	30 00
	<u>\$8,389 86</u>

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1883.

Schooling,	\$1,130 00
Highways and bridges,	500 00
Incidentals,	4,000 00
Sidewalks,	300 00
Soldiers' graves,	50 00
Town Library,	50 00
State tax,	1,176 00
County tax,	897 13
Overlay,	256 73
Total appropriation,	<u>\$8,359 86</u>

Rate of taxes for 1883 on \$1,000, \$15.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. HALL, Selectmen
NATHAN P. FARRAR, of
MILTON H. HARDY, Greenville.

REPORT
OF THE
HIGHWAY SURVEYOR.

DR.

Cash received of Treasurer by order of Selectmen, \$487 93

CR.

Paid for labor of men,	\$284 77
labor of horses,	101 79
tools and repairs,	7 99
breaking roads after settlement '83,	78 28
" " winter 1883-84,	12 10
damage to land winter road,	3 00
	—
	\$487 93

M. H. HARDY, Surveyor.

REPORT
OF THE
TOWN LIBRARIAN.

Since the last report seventy-six new books have been added to the Town Library. One book recovered reported lost in last report. The number of persons taking out books about the same as last year. Quite a number of the books are badly worn from use, and should be replaced.

Books have been taken out the past year as follows:

March,	677	September,	387
April,	447	October,	358
May,	378	November,	410
June,	407	December,	514
July,	301	January,	461
August,	317	February,	495
			— 5,152

Received for fines,	\$6 40
“ “ books out of town,	7 50
“ “ catalogues,	1 35
	—\$15 25

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS E. MARSHALL, Librarian.

R E P O R T

OF THE
SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

F. B. HEALD, Prudential Committee.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	11	11	12
Whole number of enrolled scholars,	30	32	36
Average number belonging to the school,	28	30	32
Average daily attendance,	28	30	30

This school has had too many teachers the past year for its greatest good, but each change seemed necessary. The year was opened in the summer by Mr. G. W. Nutter, who resigned at the end of the first term in order to enter a more lucrative (?) profession. He was a fair scholar, an easy worker and quite popular both in and out of school. The fall term was in charge of Mr. H. E. Drake, who was a good scholar and hard worker. In the course of a few weeks, however, some discord appeared which continued till his resignation at the end of the term. Miss M. E. Bemis taught the school during the winter. She brought most excellent order out of the confusion that seemed to exist and gave the district some very good work. The grade of this school is lowered and its full usefulness somewhat impaired by the promotion of scholars to this room that are not qualified for the advance. The average daily attendance for the past year—about thirty—in point

of numbers is not too many, if the school could be properly graded. But it must be remembered that when a half dozen or so are brought up from the middle school—brought up to make way for some from the primary room so that the little ones will not be left to play in the street as has actually happened for want of room the past year—these scholars do not go into classes that already exist. They make nearly a complete set of new classes and take just so much time that ought to be given to pupils and classes belonging to a school of the grammar grade. The inevitable effect of this is to lower the grade of the school taken as a whole, although there are in it scholars as quick and bright as ever need to be in any school.

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	11	11	12
Whole number of enrolled scholars,	41	43	41
Average number belonging to the school,	40	42	37
Average daily attendance,	38	39	34

The teacher who rendered such good service last year, Miss H. D. Gordon, managed the school during the summer, but resigned at the end of the term to accept a position in a western city. The fall and winter terms were under the charge of Miss H. N. Barnard, a lady who came here from the public schools of Royalston, Mass., and who has tried to do well. This school, from its intermediate position, number of scholars and number of classes, is, perhaps, the best graded of any in the building.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	11	11	12
Whole number of enrolled scholars,	66	75	50
Average number belonging to the school,	58	63	39
Average daily attendance,	50	55	33

Miss L. E. Goodwin has had charge of this school for the

year and has rendered her usual good service. The improvement in the small scholars under her care, when they care at all about coming to school, is always commendable. At the outset of the fall term the school was so large that twelve scholars were sent to the intermediate room, not because they were fully qualified, but to make room for new-comers. There were also a few left to play on "the acre" without having their cases looked up by the committee for the good and sufficient reason that there was "standing room only" at the school-house; all making a grand total of over ninety pupils that ought to have been in a primary school in this village. But the attendance of the smallest children is always somewhat irregular so that the daily average of enrolled pupils came just within the seating capacity of the room—a number too great for the best interests of any school. The prevalence of whooping cough in the winter brought down the daily attendance in all the schools but especially in this and the intermediate, till at the close there were only about twenty-five scholars present in each room—something new for these schools.

DISTRICT NO. 2.

H. L. NEWELL, Prudential Committee.

	1st. Term.	2d Term.
Number of weeks,	10	11½
Whole number of enrolled pupils,	10	8
Average number belonging to the school,	9½	6½
Average daily attendance,	9	5½

For the year this school has been in care of Miss Nellie L. Smith, who carried matters along quietly, with good advantage to all who cared to learn. The poll and estate apportionment of \$84.16 coming to this district was increased by \$40, put in the hands of the Selectmen so that the total amount of schooling was over twenty-one weeks against fifteen weeks of the previous year.

DISTRICT NO. 3.

E. L. GRAY, Prudential Committee.

	1st Term.	2d Term.	3d Term.
Number of weeks,	9	8	8
Whole number of enrolled pupils,	18	20	16
Average number belonging to the school,	16	17	15
Average daily attendance,	14	16	13

This is another school that has had too many teachers for its best good. The summer teacher was Miss Josie C. Moulton, who came here direct from the Salem Normal School without any experience in practical work. Her education was sufficient, but a little more experience would have been better.

Miss Della L. Shumway taught the school very acceptably in the fall, and would have been her own successor had she not resigned at the end of the term to take a place in Massachusetts. Miss Helen E. Hood, a lady of fifteen years' experience taught the winter term. She was polite and painstaking, so that all those who remained through the term learned something. During the term, however, the school got into a state of unrest so that at the last visit made by the committee there were but seven scholars present, the smallest number ever seen by him there. The total number of different scholars during the year in this district has been twenty-two; seven coming from Greenville, and fifteen from Mason. Of the school money Greenville has furnished \$106.36, and Mason \$73.68. The town of Mason used to be a little slow in paying over this school money, but lately they have been very prompt.

Out of the whole number of teachers employed during the year—ten in all—four report an attendance at some normal school. Your committee is a firm believer in the employment of normal teachers—after these same teachers have had a few terms of practical experience *in some other town*. Other things being equal, it seems as if some of the best work is being done now by those teachers who have had actual experience enough to know what normal methods can and what cannot be carried into daily use in our country and village public schools as they are to be found scattered all over the state.

The total number of different scholars enrolled as attending not less than two weeks the past year has been 238—122 boys and 116 girls—a total gain of 26 from the preceding year. The average cost of educating each scholar for the year has been about \$5.61.

From a knowledge of the present financial condition of each district, with a surplus hardly, if at all, exceeding twenty-five dollars in the whole ~~town~~^{term}, your committee respectfully suggests that an appropriation of not less than \$1,200 will be fully needed, else the schools must be cut down in quantity or quality.

The following is the

ROLL OF HONOR:

Scholars neither absent nor tardy for one term :

Nellie Bennett, Annie Stevenson, Bertha Swain, Ida Mason, Lilly Bacon, Eddie Hosmer, Ernest Merriam, Willie Stevenson, John Beaton, James Downs, Henry Gainey, Fred Rounds, Hattie Herrick, Hattie Robbins, Mabel Savage, Cassie Bennett, Eva Blodgett, Annie Gamelin, Willie Ames, Charlie Cowdrey, Willie Haskell, Chrissie Liberty, Jimmie Mullen, John McDermott, Olive Dube, Alfred Gendreau, Lilla Martin, John Livingston, Lester Livingston, Eddie Chase, Allie Chase, Perley Blanchard, Willie Livermore, Ella Russell, Clifford Sanborn.

Scholars neither absent nor tardy for two terms :

Gertrude Robbins, Nellie Mullen, Lena Kimball, Mabel Stevenson, Katie Greene, Myrtie Heald.

Scholars neither absent nor tardy for three terms :

Eddie Livingston, Fred Robbins, Flora Kimball, Cora Robbins, Ellery Reed, Katie Downs.

Josie Connolly and Tommy Mullen have not been absent or tardy for two years.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. HALL, Supt. of Schools.

H. P. GRANGER,

Baldwin's Block' Lebanon, N. H.,



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